



Project Background

Devils Tower National Monument (Crook County, Wyoming) does not currently have an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Plan. IPM is a science-based, decision making process that coordinates knowledge of pest biology, the environment, and available technology to prevent unacceptable levels of pest damage, by cost-effective means, while posing the least possible risk to people, resources, and the environment. There are several options for methods of control including prescribed fire, cultural, biological, mechanical, and chemical control.

The National Park Service (NPS) seeks your comments during a 30-day public scoping period to identify issues and alternatives to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) regarding the proposed IPM plan for Devils Tower National Monument.

Purpose of the Plan:

- Reduce the risks to visitors and park employees from pests and pest-related management strategies.
- Identify park wide pest control goals and objectives, including invasive species.
- Protect the park's natural and cultural resources, including historic structures, from pests and pest-related management strategies.
- Determine all major pest management issues for developed and undeveloped locations in the park.
- Develop tools and methods for implementing species specific Integrated Pest Management throughout the park.



Devils Tower Historic Visitor Center
Built by Civilian Conservation Corps
1935



Leafy Spurge at Devils Tower, 2005

Pests of Concern (not inclusive):

Pine Bark Beetle	Cheat Grass	Sweet Yellow Clover
Gypsy Moth	Common Mullein	Bull Thistle
Fleas and Ticks	Dame's Rocket	Canada Thistle
Pests in Buildings	Field Bind Weed	Musk Thistle
(ants, bats, bees,	Hounds Tongue	Russian Thistle
roaches, rodents,	Leafy Spurge	Scotch Thistle
spiders, etc.)		

Resources of Concern:

The Environmental Assessment will analyze potential impacts to a number of resources including:

- Park operations
- Visitor use, experience and safety
- Geology, soils, and vegetation
- Wildlife and species of special concern
- Historic Structures and Cultural resources

Overview of the Process:

- Public scoping (closes **February 6, 2012**)*
 - Preparation of the Environmental Assessment
 - Public review of the Environmental Assessment*
 - Analysis of public comment
 - Preparation of decision document
 - Announcement of decision
- (* indicates opportunities for public comment)

NOTE: Before submitting information, please be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, such as address, phone number, etc., will be included in the scoping report and may be publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.



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**Devils Tower National Monument
Integrated Pest Management Plan
Public Scoping Brochure**

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Public Scoping for:

Integrated Pest Management Plan
Environmental Assessment

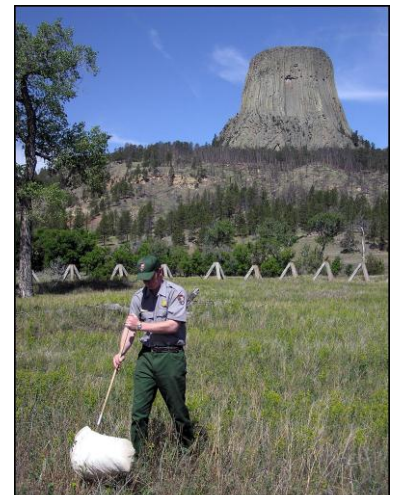
**Please submit your comments online at the NPS Planning,
Environment, and Public Comment website:
<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/deto>**

Please provide all comments by February 6, 2012.

You may submit written comments to: Chief of Resources, IPM Plan
Devils Tower National Monument
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You may hand-deliver written comments to
Devils Tower National Monument's administration building.

Comments will not be accepted over the phone, by fax, or e-mail.



***"....to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wildlife therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same
in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations"***

National Park Service - The Organic Act of 1916